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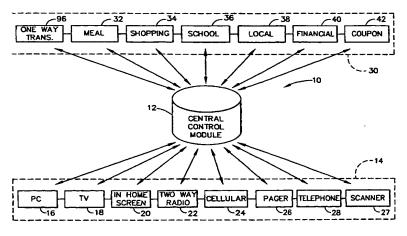
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(57) Abstract: A computer assisted integrated family information management system and method of managing information within members of a family, where the system allows family members to maintain contact, while also receiving helpful, and often necessary, information regarding a family's daily activities. The family information management system includes a central control module containing at least one family data file, at least one user interface system for transferring information to and receiving information from the family data file of the central control module, and at least one information source connected to the central control module from which relevant family information is obtained. The information obtained from the information source is processed with information stored in the family data file of the central control module to create value-added family information which is accessible in the central control module through the user interface system. A method for assisting family members and a method for developing consumer understanding information relating to family lifestyles related to the family information management system is also provided.

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